

# **Did Benjamin Franklin Say this about the Hebrews?**

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At the beginning of the Civil War many copies of the Private Diary of Charles Pinckney, of South Carolina, were to be found in that State.

Pinckney was one of the framers of the Constitution of the United States, and published his Diary for private distribution among his friends under the title: *Chit-Chat Around the Table During Intermission.*

By special order of Gen. William T. Sherman, very nearly all of the fine private libraries—the finest in the United States up to 1861—were destroyed, and among the rare books sacrificed was Charles Pinckney's Diary.

Among the few copies extant is one given by Mr. Pinckney to his daughter, who married Etheldred Hays, and with him emigrated to the recently opened land of the Creek Indians in 1817, in the extreme part of southwest Georgia. It is from this copy that the following extract has been taken.

Says Mr. Pinckney:—

**DR. BENJAMIN FRANKLIN**, a venerable figure, weighed down by years and wisdom, leaned one hand on his staff, the other on the table and said: "I fully agree with General Washington that we must safeguard this young nation, as yet in its swaddling clothes, from the insidious influence and impenetration of the Continental religions which pauperize and degrade all countries and peoples over whom they hold sway. But there is a greater menace to these United States of America than the strictly Roman, because a large number of our citizens are descended from the men and women persecuted by that church, and they and their descendants will never forget nor cease to abhor. "This greater menace, gentlemen, is the Jew!" In whatever country Jews have settled in any great numbers they have lowered its moral tone; have depreciated its commercial integrity; have segregated themselves; have not assimilated; have sneered at, and tried to undermine, the Christian religion upon which this nation is founded, by objecting to its restrictions; have built up a State within a State, and when opposed have tried to strangle that country to death financially, as in the case of Spain and Portugal.

"**FOR** over seventeen hundred years the Jews have been bewailing their sad fate in that they have been exiled from their homeland, as they call Palestine. But, gentlemen, did the civilized world today give them Palestine in fee-simple, they

would at once find some cogent reason for not returning. Why? Because they are vampires, and vampires do not live upon vampires. They cannot live among themselves only. They must subsist on Christians, and other peoples not of their race. "If you do not exclude them from the United States in this Constitution, in less than two hundred years they will have swarmed here in such great numbers that they will dominate and devour the land, and change our form of government for which we Americans have shed our blood, given our lives, our substance, jeopardized our liberty, and put into it our best thoughts. "If you do not exclude them, in less than two hundred years our descendants will be working in the fields to furnish them sustenance, while they will be in the counting houses, rubbing their hands gleefully.

*"I warn you, gentlemen, that if you do not exclude the Jews for all time, your children's children will curse you in your graves!"*

**J**EW, gentlemen, are Asiatics. Let them be born where they will, or how many generations they are away from Asia, and they will never be otherwise. Their ideas do not conform to an American's, even though they live among us ten generations. A leopard cannot change its spots. Jews are Asiatics, are a menace to this country if permitted entrance, and should be excluded by this Constitution!" Such is Benjamin Franklin's reliably reputed version and opinion of a question which now vexes 15,000,000 Gentile Christians, beset on every hand by exactly the same horde. "We were greatly surprised," comments Pinckney, "at the words of Dr. Franklin, more especially as there were then only about five hundred of the creatures (Jews) in the country."

"I TROW," quoth Mr. Charles Cotesworth Pinckney, "Dr. Franklin may be right. For my part, I never see one of the unkempt fellows but that I would like to spit him on my sword. In less than two hundred years, if we admit them, the scurvy scoundrels may be calling *us* their ANCESTORS!" Thereat went up a mighty laugh.

**T**HE two hundred years prophesied by these forefathers have nearly passed. No heed was officially taken of Dr. Franklin's warning. This country as a "haven for the oppressed" allowing 500 Jews in 1789 to 137,000 in 1906.

*Then during America's terrible war years came in 4,000,000 of Europe's Jews and today we behold our financial system in the control of a Jewish Federal Reserve, our President surrounded by a cabinet of Jews, our press, our stage, our transportation dominated by these Jewish "Asiatics". Are the posterity of these mighty thinkers about to curse their forebears in their graves as Dr. Franklin prophesied? . .*